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SUBJECT: MINIMUM IMPORT PRICES ON PROCESSED FRUITS AND
VEGETABLES

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1. DANISH PRINCIPALS INVOLVED IN THIS ISSUE IN BOTH FONOFF AND
AGMINISTRY WERE NOT AVAILABLE OVER LONG WEEKEND (FRIDAY WAS
DANISH HOLIDAY) AND ARE NOW IN BRUSSELS ATTENDING COUNCIL MEET-
ING. ECONCOUNSELOR DISCUSSED ISSUE WITH SENIOR FONOFF OFFICIAL
INVOLVED IN THIS ISSUE WHO WAS AVAILABLE IN COPEHAGEN ON APRIL
28 (SELDO) WHO ASSURED US THAT DENMARK REMAINS FULLY AWARE OF
US POSITION ON MIP AND THAT SHE WOULD PASS ON OUR REITERATED
CONCERNS TO HER SUPERIORS WHO ARE NOW IN BRUSSELS.

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2. EMBASSY COMMENT. LAST MINUTE REPRESENTATIONS OF THIS SORT, PARTICULARLY WHEN THEY INVOLVED TRYING TO CONTACT OFFICIALS OVER A WEEKEND, ARE NOT LIKELY TO BE VERY PRODUCTIVE IN DENMARK. WE ASSUME MISS SELSO WILL PASS OUR CONCERNS TO DANISH OFFICIALS IN BRUSSELS BUT, AS SHE SEVERAL TIMES REMINDED US, WE CAN BE MUCH MORE CERTAIN THAT THE DANES ARE FULLY AWARE OF OUR POSITION IN VIEW OF THE NUMBER OF TIMES WE HAVE DISCUSSED IT WITH THEM IN THE PAST. AS WE HAVE REPORTED PREVIOUSLY, THE DANES ARE LESS THAN ENTHUSIASTIC ABOUT THE WHOLE IDEA OF MIP'S; HOWEVER, THEY ARE NOT INCLINED TO ROCK THE BOAT - AND, THEREBY, RISK LOSING SOME OF THEIR OWN "LOG-ROLLING" LEVERAGE WITHIN THE COMMUNITY--BECAUSE THE ISSUE IS NOT VERY IMPORTANT TO THEM. IT IS LIKELY, THEREFORE, THAT THE DANES WILL GO WITH THE PREVAILING WIND ON THIS MATTER.
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